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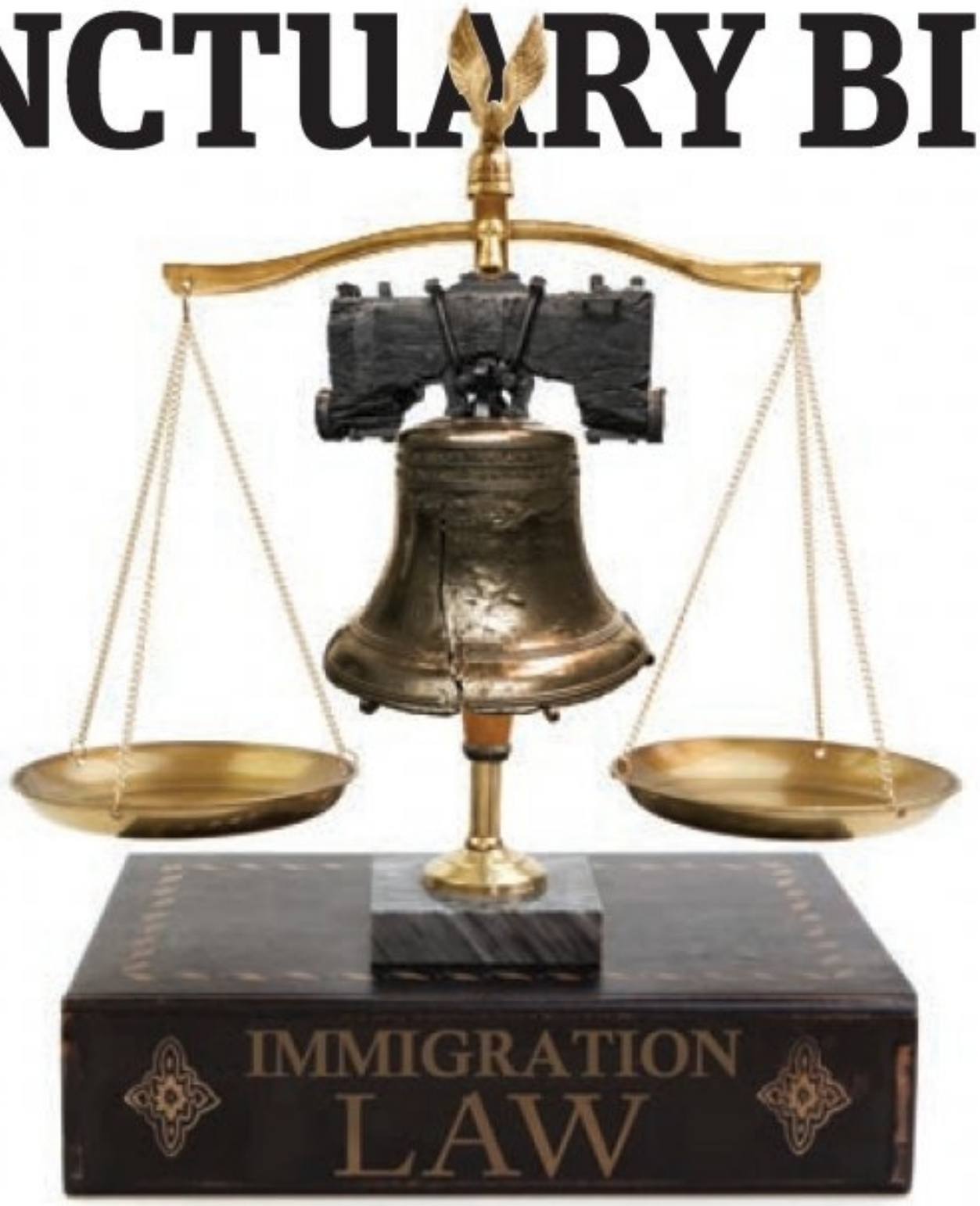

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3 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

LOUISIANA GOV. SIGNS ORDER PROTECTING LGBT RIGHTS

Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards on Wednesday signed an executive order providing protections for state employees and employees of state contractors against discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity and other criteria. There is no state law protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender people from employment discrimination, the governor's office said in a statement. REUTERS

TRIAL FOR ACCUSED SC CHURCH SHOOTER DELAYED UNTIL JANUARY

A South Carolina judge Wednesday delayed the murder trial of the accused gunman in last summer's Charleston church massacre by six months and rescheduled the proceedings for Jan. 17, 2017. Judge J.C. Nicholson told a court hearing he had been obliged to push back the trial from its planned start date in July because defense lawyers said a doctor needs two to six months to conduct psychiatric testing of 22-year-old defendant Dylann Roof. Roof is accused of opening fire June 17, 2015, during a Bible study session at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church and killing nine parishioners, including pastor and state Sen. Clementa Pinckney, in a crime that shocked the nation. He is charged with nine counts of murder as well as with attempting to murder three people who survived the rampage, and he faces the death penalty. Roof waived his right to appear at Wednesday's hearing, which was attended by several relatives of the victims. REUTERS

LONG-STALLED EMAIL PRIVACY BILL ADVANCES IN CONGRESS

Legislation that would require law enforcement to obtain a search warrant before asking technology companies to hand over dated emails unanimously moved forward in the House of Representatives on Wednesday, although its prospects for becoming law this year remain uncertain. The House Judiciary Committee voted 28-0 to approve the Email Privacy Act, which would update a decades-old law to mandate federal authorities get a warrant to access emails or other digital communications that are more than 180 days old. Currently, law enforcement and civil agencies can ask a service provider to turn over such aged private communications with only a subpoena, which is subject to less judicial oversight than a warrant. REUTERS

Verizon workers picketed and blocked the entrance to the Verizon building at 9th and Race Streets. CHARLES MOSTOLLER

About 40K Verizon workers launch strike

Wireline workers perform network maintenance, among other duties, and also provide customer service at call centers.

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The people who install Verizon's home phone, TV and Internet services launched a strike on Wednesday after unions and management failed to reach an agreement on a new labor contract.

Ray McConville, a labor and corporate spokesman for Verizon, said that more than 36,000 employees from Massachusetts to Virginia went on strike Wednesday, but that Verizon had made preparations for the strike and home services would not be interrupted.

"From our perspective, we don't think it's a productive way to advance bargaining," McConville said.

"We think they should focus their energy in good faith and reach a contract that's fair on both sides. Their claim is that they've exhausted every option and that this was their only measure," he said. "If that was true, the question is, why reject our offer? We successfully reached an agreement the last go-round."

McConville said New York had the highest number on strike, with about 13,900 employees. Pennsylvania was next with 4,600 on strike, followed by Massachusetts with 4,400.

"We're more than prepared to deal with the strike," he said.

"We go into every contract negotiation preparing for the possibility. ... We'll be able to serve our customers with minimal disruption."

The Communications Workers of America (CWA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) had called for a strike on Monday after an impasse in contract talks.

The unions jointly represent nearly 40,000 employees in Verizon's wireline operations, which include Fios Internet, telephone and TV services.

"Verizon has forced us there. ... Nobody wants to go on strike," CWA President Chris Shelton said. "It's a hardship for our members and our families, it's a hardship for customers."

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Verizon and the unions, which represent Verizon workers from states such as Massachusetts, Virginia, New York and Rhode Island, have been in talks over the company's plans to cut health care and pension-related benefits over a three-year period since June. Wireline workers have been working out of contract since the last agreement expired in August.

While a compromise on health care plans has been reached, disputes over offshoring call center jobs and pensions still remain, union representatives said.

"We've tried to work with union leaders to reach a deal," Marc Reed, Verizon's chief administrative officer, said in a company statement.

The last round of contract negotiations in 2011 also led to a strike.

"The company's greed is disgusting," IBEW Local 2222 said in a statement on its website.

"[The CEO] made $18 million last year — more than 200 times the compensation of the average Verizon employee ... but they claim they can't afford a fair contract."

"We are available," said Verizon spokesman Rich Young, when asked about the outlook for negotiations. He said no further talks were currently scheduled with the unions, however.

Verizon said the wireline business generated about 29 percent of its revenue in 2015 but less than 7 percent of operating income. Wireline workers perform network maintenance, among other duties, and also provide customer service at call centers.

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White: I was 'ambushed' by immigration activists

State Rep. Martina White recently was videotaped in a testy confrontation in her Harrisburg office with immigration activists.

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Philadelphia Republican state Rep. Martina White continues to do battle with activists angered by her legislation to terminate Philadelphia's sanctuary city status.

The conflict got heated this week when activists went to White's office to meet, culminating in her shouting at them to leave after one criticized her for using the words "these people" to refer to immigrants, all caught on cellphone camera video.

"As I have said on numerous occasions, including during the ambush meeting with activists for illegal immigration, I fully support legal immigration and the diversity it brings to our country, as well as immigrants who have followed the law to get here," White said in a statement on the confrontation.

Al Dia, Philly's bilingual Latino newspaper, first posted video and audio from the encounter between White and members of various organizations including Juntos, New Sanctuary Movement, Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition (PICC), and Make the Road PA.

The audio recording starts with White telling the activists, "I think it's very rude to barge into someone's office without an appointment," before allowing them in.

One member of the group tells White, "I think your bill on sanctuary cities divides, is hateful. I think it does not serve any real purpose other than to hurt people."

Another brings up "the rhetoric and ideas" of the bill and asks White if she wants to be "Trump in Pennsylvania."

"I don't feel that I need to respond to that," White says in the recording. "I want you to know that my bill has no rhetoric in it. It is specifically to uphold federal law."

Things begin to deteriorate around there.

Moments later, when Erika Almiron, executive director of Juntos, criticized White for using the phrase "these people" referring to immigrants, White shouted at the activists to leave her office.

White, who told Pennlive.com she reacted strongly to the activists because she was "frightened" by the group of 10 to 15 people.

"She invited us in, it was not an ambush ... and things escalated pretty quickly," Almiron said of the encounter. "I think Martina hasn't been raised around a lot of diversity, and she doesn't have any way of defending her position."

White CHARLES MOSTOLLER

Almiron said they were in Harrisburg that day, along with more than 100 immigrants, for Advocacy Day, organized by PICC, and the group of activists went to visit numerous legislators.

'White privilege' under microscope at conference in Philly

Got privilege, Philly?

That's what the White Privilege Conference – now in its 17th year and kicking off its first visit to Philadelphia Thursday – wants you to think about and explore over three days of workshops, lectures and presentations by academics and activists from across the nation.

Students and participants will be learning in the cradle of liberty how racism and oppression have been part of the U.S. since its founding – a situation organizers likened to "the crack in the Liberty Bell."

But organizers also want the world to know that while their mission is to examine "white privilege, white supremacy and other forms of oppression," that doesn't mean they're not welcoming to people from all walks of life.

"It is not about beating up on white folks or males or heterosexuals," said Dena Samuels, board president of The Privilege Institute (TPI), which oversees the White Privilege Conference (WPC), "but rather to consider how these identities are socially constructed and serve to include and benefit and lift up some people at the expense of others."

Founded in 1999 at Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa, this year the WPC is in its biggest city ever, and is expecting about 2,500 attendees.

Running from April 14 to 17 at the Marriott Downtown, the WPC will include 250 presenters and performers, and 175 workshops. It will also include a talk by Yusef Salaam – who was incarcerated for 12 years after being wrongly incarcerated in the Central Park jogger rape case. SAM NEWHOUSE

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City receives $3.5M MacArthur grant

Philly has been awarded the $3.5 million MacArthur Foundation grant to fund a plan to reduce its overcrowded prisons and develop criminal justice reform.

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Philadelphia received the coveted MacArthur grant — $3.5 million over three years for its beleaguered prisons system — making it the biggest recipient of any jurisdiction in the country, Mayor Jim Kenney announced Wednesday.

The city was one of 11 sites selected by the MacArthur Foundation for implementation of funding under its Safety and Justice Challenge. A total of 191 municipalities applied last year.

The city submitted an application in January, and officials learned Wednesday that Philadelphia was chosen to receive the funds, which will provide critical fiscal support for the city's efforts in reducing overcrowded jails by 34 percent over the next three years.

"In addition, we, as a city, have committed over $2 million within the general fund to complement grant funding," said Kenney.

"This effort has been ongoing since January 2016, when the criminal justice partners made the decision to apply for a planning grant. It has been a collaborative and unified process since — one my administration has been enthusiastic to support."

A full complement of city and law enforcement officials gathered at the Juanita Kidd Stout Center for Criminal Justice Wednesday afternoon to tout the news.

"Whoever said government doesn't work or that government is not collaborative is crazy because there's clear evidence of that today," said City Council President Darrell Clarke.

By city figures, as of April 7, the city's jail population totaled 7,449.

The "vision" for criminal justice reform is expected to go into effect over the next three years. If it's successful, it could serve as a national model.

Court of Common Pleas President Judge Sheila Woods-Skipper said that Philadelphia will now focus on implementing a plan aimed at reducing the prison population, as well as reducing racial, ethnic and economic disparities, while improving the justice system's data capacity to monitor its progress in reaching these goals.

> *"Our aim is to reduce jail admissions and the reliance on cash bail."*
>
> Woods-Skipper

"We will address the over-incarceration of pretrial defendants by fundamentally changing the way arraignment decisions are made and the way pretrial defendants are supervised in the community," she said.

"Our aim is to reduce jail admissions and the reliance on cash bail."

District Attorney Seth Williams called Wednesday's announcement a "huge achievement and recognition for how well the criminal justice system agencies in Philadelphia work together."

"The money is appreciated, but our commitment to reducing the prison population by one-third and collaboration process is huge," he added.

"It is all part of what I have been preaching to be smart on crime — crime prevention, recidivism reduction, prison population reduction, all while saving the city money."

Council President Darrell Clarke speaks at the press conference announcing the grant. CHARLES MOSTOLLER

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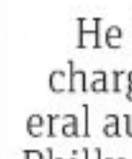
Feds: Liberian civil war commander 'Jungle Jabbah' found in Philly suburbs

He has been charged by federal authorities in Philly with having concealed his violent history when he applied for asylum in the U.S.



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Mohammed "Jungle Jabbah" Jabatteh, foreground CREATIVE COMMONS

Federal prosecutors have charged a Liberian immigrant living in East Landsdowne with concealing his participation in horrific war crimes when he applied for U.S. asylum.

Mohammed Jabatteh, reportedly known as "Jungle Jabbah," was arrested Tuesday morning on charges that he concealed his past as a commander in The United Liberation Movement for Democracy (ULIMO) in Liberia, a rebel group that participated in battle for control of Liberia.

Prosecutors say Jabbateh committed multiple war crimes with ULIMO before immigrating.

A press release from the Philadelphia U.S. attorney's office states Jabbateh is charged with personally committing or ordering troops under his command to commit: "1) the murder of civilian noncombatants; 2) the sexual enslavement of women; 3) the public raping of women; 4) the maiming of civilian noncombatants; 5) the torturing of civilian noncombatants 6) the enslavement of civilian noncombatants; 7) the conscription of child soldiers; 8) the execution of prisoners of war; 9) the desecration and mutilation of corpses; and 10) the killing persons because of race, religion, nationality, ethnic origin or political opinion."

Jabbateh was granted asylum in the U.S. after applying in December 1998, after answering no to the questions, "Have you ever committed a crime" and "Have you ever harmed anyone else."

Jabbateh later applied for legal permanent residency and again allegedly lied by denying committing fraud in any application, and by responding no to the question, "Have you ever engaged in genocide, or otherwise ordered, incited, assisted or otherwise participated in the killing of any person because of race, religion, nationality, ethnic origin or political opinion?"

"This defendant allegedly committed unspeakable crimes in his home country, brutalizing numerous innocent victims," U.S. Attorney Zane Memeger said in a statement. "He then sought to escape to the United States where he lied about his criminal background on federal immigration forms."

Jabbateh could face up to 30 years in prison.

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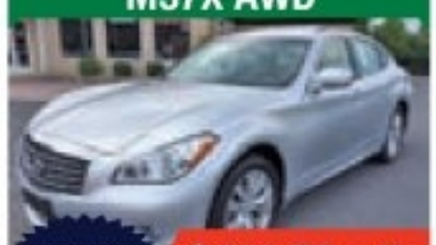
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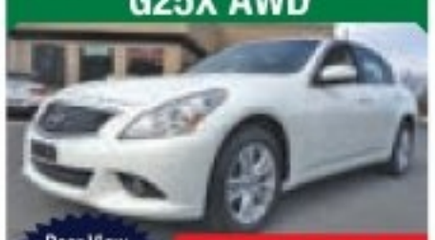
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Pa. infant dies on first day of day care

McKenna Felmly PROVIDED

A baby girl died after being dropped off for her first day at a Lehigh Township day care center.

McKenna Felmly's mother, Adrienne Kromer, was back at work on April 1 after three and a half months of maternity leave. That morning, she called Sharon's Daycare three times to check on the infant, USA Today reported.

A day care worker told Kromer the baby wasn't taking a bottle. Concerned, Kromer left work and headed to the center — that's when she got a call from the center saying the baby wasn't breathing, USA Today reported.

The Allentown Morning Call reported that day care workers attempted to revive McKenna after they found her unresponsive in a crib. She was pronounced dead at the hospital.

"We are continuing to conduct interviews with family, friends and employees of the day care," the police chief told Lehigh Valley Live Wednesday. "We still have some work to finish yet. I can't say when we will determine manner of death."

Officials said there was no sign of trauma or foul play, USA Today reported.

The family has set up a GoFundMe page, which as of Wednesday afternoon had raised over $12,000. MORGAN ROUSSEAU

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Judge orders 'affluenza' teen to spend about two years in jail

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Ethan Couch has been in a Tarrant County jail since January. In his first appearance in adult court, he was given the sentence of almost two years in jail, the maximum allowable probation conditions for the case in the adult system.

A Texas county judge sentenced Ethan Couch, the "affluenza" teen, to serve four consecutive 180-day terms in jail after he killed four people outside Fort Worth with his pickup truck while driving drunk in 2013.

"You are not getting out of jail today," Judge Wayne Salvant told Couch, who was wearing a red jumpsuit from the Tarrant County Jail. Salvant said he will hold another hearing in two weeks to consider the sentence he imposed.

At his trial in juvenile court in 2013 when he was 16, a psychologist testifying on his behalf said Couch was so spoiled by his wealthy parents that he could not tell right from wrong. The psychologist described the affliction as "affluenza," a term that quickly became a media buzzword.

He was sentenced to 10 years of probation, a penalty that sparked outrage from critics who ridiculed the affluenza defense and said his family's wealth helped the teen avoid jail.

Tarrant County Sheriff Dee Anderson said Couch's demeanor has changed since being in jail from being quite cocky at first to rather compliant.

The change is due to the "stark reality he is dealing with today," Anderson told reporters at court, adding Couch will remain in solitary confinement for his own protection.

Couch was taken into custody in Texas after he fled to Mexico in December with his mother, apparently to avoid arrest for violating the drink- and drug-free terms of the probation deal after video appeared to show him at a party where alcohol was being consumed. REUTERS

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Almost 400,000 disabled Americans eligible for student loan forgiveness

The U.S. government announced plans on Tuesday to forgive $7.7 billion in student loans for about 387,000 permanently disabled borrowers.

While permanently disabled Americans are already permitted student loan forgiveness under the Higher Education Act, many who are eligible have not taken advantage of the debt relief, the Department of Education said in a statement.

Of the 387,000 borrowers identified by the department as eligible but have not taken part in the program, about 179,000 of them are in default, potentially causing them to lose their federal tax refunds and Social Security benefits, the government said.

"Too many eligible borrowers were falling through the cracks, unaware they were eligible for relief," Education Undersecretary Ted Mitchell said in a statement. "We need to make it easier, not harder, for them to receive the benefits they are due."

The Education Department has partnered with the Social Security Administration to identify these borrowers.

Beginning Friday, borrowers who were identified in the first round will receive a letter explaining their eligibility for loan forgiveness and what steps they need to take to receive a discharge.

The letters will be distributed over four months. A follow-up letter will be sent 120 days after the first letter if the department does not receive a signed application. REUTERS

BRIEF

Man sentenced to four years for kidnapping son from mother

An Ohio man was sentenced Wednesday to four years in prison for taking his 5-year-old son from his mother's house in Alabama in 2002 and living with him under false identities for 13 years.

Bobby Hernandez, 53, was also given five years' probation by Cuyahoga County Judge Cassandra Collier-Williams. He had faced up to 54 years in prison.

Hernandez made a few brief statements in court, including apologies to his son and former girlfriend, before becoming overwhelmed by emotion. "Julian was always the most important thing to me," he said.

In March, he pleaded guilty to 15 charges: two counts of felony kidnapping, 10 of tampering with records, two of interference with custody and one of forgery. Seventeen other charges were dropped as part of a plea agreement.

Hernandez was arrested in November 2015 after the FBI received a tip that he and his son were living in Cleveland. REUTERS

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Stop telling Ruby Rose she made you gay

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Ruby Rose — breakout star of "Orange is the New Black" and not to be confused with Chris Tucker's character from "The Fifth Element" — has a simple message for all the women out there who are fans of a particular brand of hyperbole in complimenting her on her looks. "When people say to me that I turned them gay, I just laugh, because that's not really even a possibility. It sounds like I did something against their will in the middle of the night, as if I crept into their brain and pushed the gay button, then did an evil laugh and left them to fend for themselves — newly gay and alone in the world," she tells Galore magazine. "People will say to J. Law, 'I want to be your best friend,' or to T. Swift, 'I want to be in your squad.' Everyone has got their little thing, and the catch phrase I got after 'Orange' was, 'She turned me gay.'" It's a heck of a responsibility, honestly, but here's the most important part: Rose just flat-out doesn't believe you. "I break it down like this: Did I find Channing Tatum in 'Magic Mike' to be extremely hot? Yes! Could I now turn straight for him without having previously ever had a desire to be with a man? The answer is, nope."

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Megan Fox knows who didn't knock her up

It's unclear what the state of pregnant Megan Fox's relationship with Brian Austin Green is these days, what with that divorce filing eight months ago and all, which has led to a fair amount of speculation online about the exact paternity of her third child. And it's speculation that Fox herself has seen — and thinks is hilarious. While she won't put it all to rest with an official confirmation, she is willing at least to rule a few suspects out — all of whom, coincidentally, happen to be men she's worked with. Fox posted a photo lineup of Shia LaBeouf, Will Arnett and Jake Johnson with the caption, "#NotTheFather," which is awfully helpful of her. I'm sure LaBeouf is relieved, at least. But hey, you know who wasn't included in that collage? Green himself. Curious, no?

DAILY VIDEO

YOUTUBE

Brothers convince little sister of zombie apocalypse

You know your prank video has truly gone viral when it racks up more than 9 million views on YouTube. But then, a really great prank can do that. Like this one: A couple of brothers pick up their little sister from having her wisdom teeth out and then convince her that the zombie apocalypse has broken out during her drugged-up ride home. It's priceless. But honestly, no prank they could pull is better than her parents naming her Millicent.

Lindsay Lohan probably not engaged (unless she is)

Less than a month after revealing that she has a new boyfriend, Lindsay Lohan is reportedly set to tie the knot. The perennially troubled starlet is said to be engaged to Russian business heir Egor Tarabasov, according to Entertainment Tonight. Her rep denied the engagement rumors to People, saying they hold "no merit," but who knows, maybe this really is the one. Maybe that move to London really did do her some good. Maybe it's time to stop being so cynical and believe people can change. Stranger things have happened.

Kirsten Dunst is on the market again

Kirsten Dunst first met Garrett Hedlund while filming "On the Road" four years ago and has been dating him ever since. Well, she had been dating him, rather — but I'm getting ahead of myself. Dunst and Hedlund were living together in L.A. and even, if anonymous sources are to be believed, moving toward an engagement announcement. But today, not so much, according to Us Weekly, as the tabloid reports that the pair are done, having gone and broken up. Which is kind of a bummer, honestly. These are, after all, two of the nicer denizens of Hollywood, genuinely pleasant people who seemed really happy together. Oh, well.

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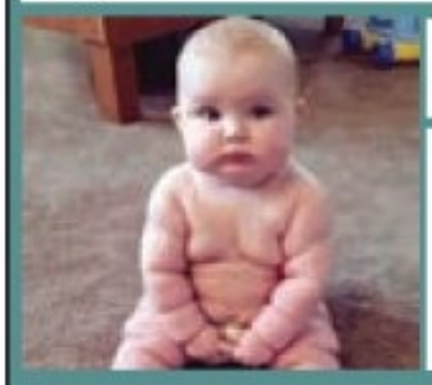

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Steven Soderbergh is picky about TV

The Oscar-winner talks about bringing "The Girlfriend Experience" to the small screen.

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Riley Keough plays a law student who moonlights as a high-end escort in "The Girlfriend Experience," the Starz show based on the 2009 film by Steven Soderbergh. STARZ

Steven Soderbergh didn't write or direct "The Girlfriend Experience," despite it being a TV show spinoff (of sorts) of his 2009 film of the same name. He's just a producer. He ceded most of the control to Amy Seimetz and Lodge Kerrigan — two filmmakers who found themselves given the freedom to write and direct 13 half-hour episodes. The show once again revolves around a high-end escort, in this case a young law student played in a breakthrough turn by Riley Keough — seen in "Mad Max: Fury Road" and Soderbergh's own "Magic Mike," and also the granddaughter of Elvis Presley.

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On his roll as producer:
"I'm just there to facilitate stuff. I don't really like producing, actually. I'm always hopeful they won't need me a lot," Soderbergh says. "For Season Two, I'm really putting into play a framework to have Lodge and Amy have even more control. I don't want to be the parent. I want them to be their own parent. Other than getting it basically going, I said, 'You should meet Riley.' I didn't say, 'You should cast her.' Those were my big contributions."

Why he was all about Riley Keough:
"I worked with her for three days on 'Magic Mike.' I just had a very strong sense that I was barely scratching the surface of what she had. I really felt she was a thoroughbred and I did the equivalent of putting a kid on her back and walking her around in a circle, instead of really letting her go," Soderbergh explains. "It's rare — it shouldn't be rare, but it kind of is — that you have a performer who, when you're rolling, isn't protecting their idea of who they are personally and what people will think of them. It's what you want as a director. For somebody that young, and especially someone who's grown up around the business, to be that un-self-conscious and fearless is unusual."

Can he find that kind of freedom in movies anymore?
"No. It depends. Sure. In isolated circumstances," he says. Movies are getting away from the kind of specificity he wants. "In fact, they're scared of that, and will only agree to that under duress or if you're a filmmaker and you do something very specific and unusual, and you've got Leo [DiCaprio] or whoever to make everybody feel it has a chance. There's at least one studio in town who's known within the industry to not hire auteurs. They're not in that business."

Being a snob

He admits he's a huge fan of "Better Call Saul" and "Mr. Robot." But he's also picky. "There's still only a handful of people who can make great shows, and they're busy," he says. "Look, I'm a f—ing snob. If I'm watching a show and I don't like the font, I stop. I don't have enough to time to watch. If you do anything wrong, I'm out. When I see something really good it just proves my point, which is there aren't that many people who can do that."

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3 Instagram IRL books coming out this month

It's the long-form versions of the funniest posts in your feed.

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Sometimes all it takes is a hilarious meme popping up in your feed to transform your day. This month, the hilarity is going next level with three books based on popular Instagram accounts, and they are just as funny in print as they are online.

"I Had a Nice Time and Other Lies ..."

by @Betches (out April 19)

There's a reason the anonymous writers behind @Betches have racked up 3.9 million followers. Their memes are everything you want to say but don't — especially when it comes to being a single 20-something. "I Had a Nice Time and Other Lies ..." is a dating guide that tackles every stage of a relationship, from getting over your ex to "locking that s—t down." The Betches tell it like it is, which would be harsh if it wasn't so damn funny.

"Hot Dudes Reading"

by @HotDudesReading (out April 26)

Between the covers of this book are lots and lots of hot guys doing something that melts the hearts of book lovers everywhere: reading — and not on a Kindle. The anonymous New Yorker behind @HotDudesReading snaps the candid pics, then adds hilariously witty captions. The book is broken down by subway line and features interviews with some of the hotties who got Insta'ed.

"Mother, Can You Not?"

by Kate Siegel aka @CrazyJewishMom (out now)

Do you ever get a text from your 'rents so ridiculous that you can't resist screenshotting it and sharing it with your friends? Well, New Yorker Kate Siegel took that idea and ran with it, creating a whole Instagram feed of texts from her mom. An example: "You know what would be cool? A grandchild." In her new book, Siegel tells some of her most embarrassing, yet somehow endearing, stories from childhood, like how her mom was so excited when Siegel got her first period that she basically told everyone. Yep, it happened.

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"She just never thought anything was ever good enough, when in reality everything was great," says du Plessis, now a mother herself, who puts that same stickler's level of purism into Essen Bakery (1437 E. Passyunk Ave.), her just-opened sweets-and-savory baked goods salon in South Philly.

"My mom celebrated Shabbat every week. Every holiday was a big event, and it all centered around her food," says du Plessis, rattling off a list of hearty soups, breads (challahs) and sweets from halvah to rugelach.

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But after obtaining her bachelor's degree in biology, she ditched medicine and enrolled at the Culinary Institute of America's in California's Napa Valley, where she focused on baking.

"It's just something I felt an instinct for: baking," she laughs. When interning at the Restaurant at Meadowood in Napa she made Israeli desserts with Philly's Michael Solomonov who came in as a guest chef.

"Michael said that if I ever wanted to eat at his Zahav, to come visit; he was deeply genuine, not just making lip service."

Du Plessis not only took Solomonov up, but ended up interning at his restaurant — a move that became a full-time gig.

"I came during 2012 Restaurant Week, so it was crazy," she recalls. "Michael's meticulous. We put out so much food. I learned a lot there." She continued to learn at Solomonov's Rose + Citron as well as Le Bec Fin, Avance and as executive pastry chef at Rittenhouse Hotel's Lacroix before having a baby girl, Lily, and moving to South Philadelphia.

"I learned to taste everything — to poke, feel, touch — and to not follow what's on paper."

When du Plessis found a potential spot at the East Passyunk address that formally held Belle Cakery (from Jessie Prawlucki who owns Fond with husband Lee Styer and Tory Keomanivong), she decided that she would bring her takes on the traditions of her Jewish mother as well as those of her dad's family.

"A lot of Jews in South Africa came from Russia and Lithuania, so there's the traditions of smoked fish, chopped liver and pickled herring," she says of the ingredients that figure into Essen's sandwiches, which change daily.

Then there is the divinely sweet side of Essen's baked goods — everything from chocolate chip cookies to apple and honey cakes — rich in tradition and experimentation.

"Even though I love the recipes of the past, I get bored of them and wish to put my own exciting spin on things," she says.

Tova du Plessis

For instance, du Plessis adds halvah (a sweet, dense tahini-infused treat) to her soft, doughy babka, "something I've never seen or tasted before," for a truly glorious taste sensation.

"We've only been opened a few days and everyone is embracing that babka," she says, "which is really nice because it is all ours."

Where to get your eggs in Pennsport

Chefs Joncarl Lachman and Lee Styer come together to open The Dutch.

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The new breakfast and lunch eatery is located at the corner of 4th and Cross streets in South Philly. CAROLINE RUSSOCK

After nights spent at the stoves of their respective Passyunk Avenue restaurants, chef-neighbors Joncarl Lachman of Noord and Lee Styer of Fond have a tradition of unwinding over a few glasses of Champagne and omelettes in the kitchen at Fond.

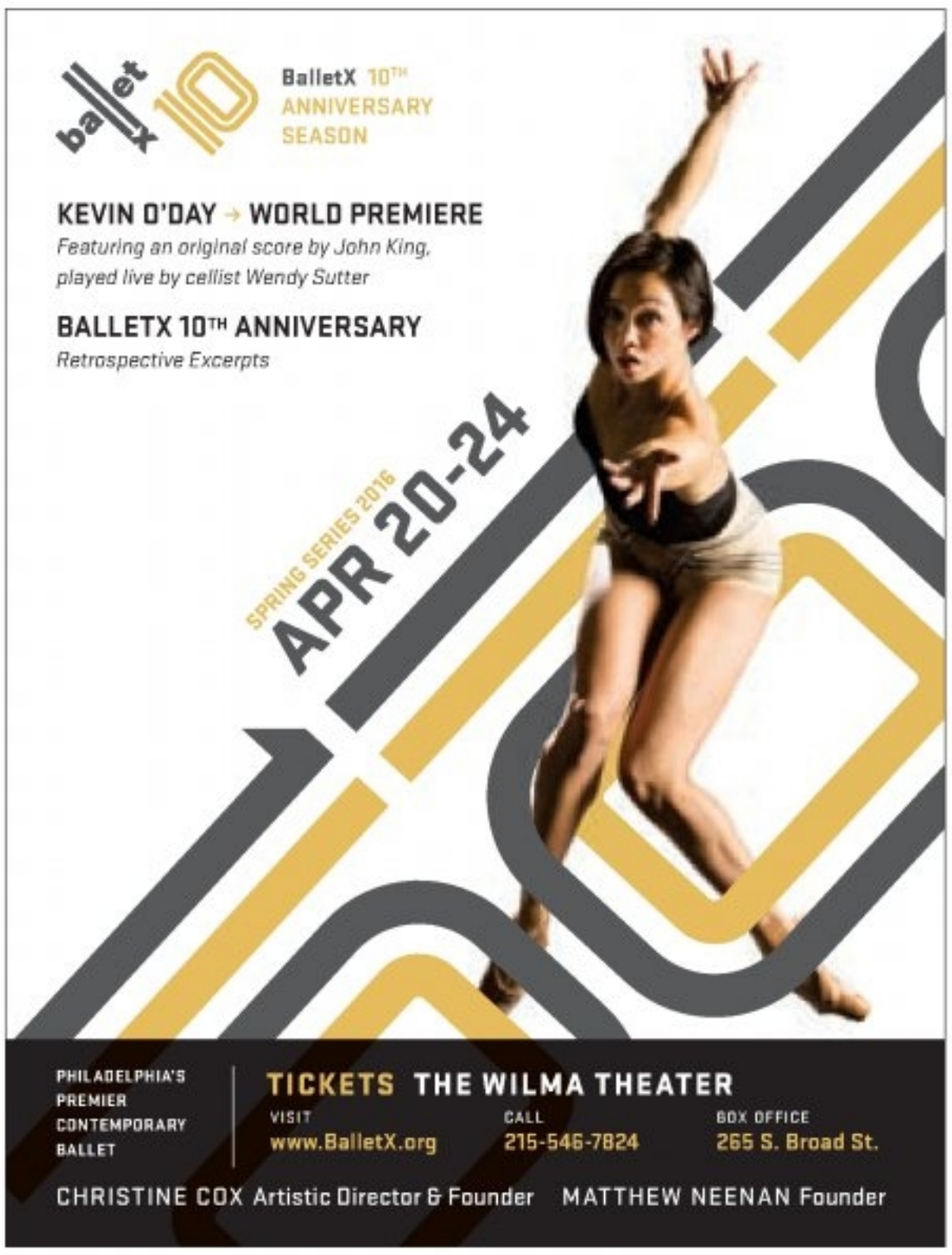
It was during one of these postshift meals that they came up with the idea for The Dutch, a new breakfast and lunch spot opening this weekend at the corner of 4th and Cross streets in South Philly.

Lee is a longtime resident of the Pennsport neighborhood and Lachman had a memorable meal at 4th and Cross, the short-lived restaurant where The Dutch is opening its doors. When the opportunity to take over the restaurant arose, the duo jumped on it, signing a lease just a little over a month ago and creating a menu that speaks to both of their culinary roots.

Styer grew up in Berks County, a place where Pennsylvania Dutch cooking traditions run deep, and Lachman's wheelhouse is firmly footed in the flavors of the Netherlands, hence the name The Dutch.

The opening menu takes inspiration from both chefs with breakfasts like beet-poached eggs with a flatiron steak and potatoes; sweet and savory Dutch baby pancakes; "uitsmijters," an easy to love but hard to pronounce breakfast of sunny-side up eggs, gouda, bacon and pickles; and a take on eggs Benedict with ring bologna and creamed chipped beef bechamel.

Open Tuesday to Sunday, this sunny breakfast and lunch spot has a BYO encouraged policy for mimosa and bloody mary mixing, and plans to expand the lunch portion of the menu once the kitchen gets comfortable. As for evening hours, Lachman says that they're planning on using the space for private events in the future.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FESTIVAL

Sakura Sunday

April 17, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fairmount Park Horticulture Center
100 N. Horticultural Drive
215-685-0096
$10, Check the Sakura Sunday Facebook page for updates.
The traditions of contemporary and modern Japan come to life amid hundreds of blooming cherry trees. Families — and their pets — can take part in all kinds of activities, like a Prettiest Pet in Pink Parade, Harajuku Fashion Show and a cosplay area. There will be maki, too, courtesy of the Subaru Sushi Samurai of the Year.

ART

Dreamcatcher Making Workshop

April 16, 7-9:30 p.m.
Palo Santo Wellness Boutique
1707 E. Passyunk Ave.
215-952-0360
$40
Palosantowellnessboutique.com
Rachel Robles, of Passyunk yoga studio Palo Santo Wellness Boutique, will teach guests how to make a traditional or nontraditional dreamcatcher. All materials will be provided, but feel free to bring anything else you'd like slap on your new creation that promises to welcome good vibes into your life.

Art After Dark: Pop Goes the Sixties

April 16, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia Museum of Art
2600 Benjamin Franklin Parkway
215-763-8100
$350-$700
Philamuseum.org
If you have a couple hundred bucks burning a hole in your pocket, swing over to the Philadelphia Museum of Art (PMA) for this charity event benefitting the museum's School and Teacher Programs. The party has a '60s theme, centered around PMA's latest special exhibit, International Pop. Entertainment includes performances by The British Invasion Tribute Band and Pennsylvania Ballet. Drinks and snacks will be plentiful.

FOOD

Food Truck Pop Up

April 14, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
13th and Locust streets
Pay as you go
For updates, check the 4th Annual Food Truck Pop Up Facebook page.
Head over to the Gayborhood at lunch on Thursday for the fourth annual Food Truck Pop Up benefitting Dining Out for Life. Over a dozen food trucks will line up along Locust Street between 13th and Broad. Go hungry and take your coworkers. Thirty-three percent of the day's earnings will be donated to local HIV/AIDS service organization ActionAIDS.

MOVIES

Movies at the Market: 'National Treasure'

April 14, 7-9 p.m.
Reading Terminal Market
51 N. 12th St.,
215-922-2317, Free
Readingterminalmarket.ticketleap.com
The Reading Terminal is screening Nicolas Cage adventure flick "National Treasure" on Thursday evening. Munch on treats from market vendors Flying Monkey, Hershel's East Side Deli, Bassetts Ice Cream and more while you try to spot the scene in the film that was shot at Reading Terminal.

MUSIC

Record Store Day 2016

April 16, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.
Creep Records
1050 N. Hancock St.
267-239-2037
Free, Creeprecords.com
If you're looking for more than casual browsing for 2016's Record Store Day experience, stop by Creep Records, where they'll be celebrating all day long. Besides a shipment of "an unreal amount of vinyl," there will be DJs and live music by folks like Eric Slick of Dr. Dog, turntablist Aaron Ruxbin and Philly punk outfit Thin Lips. Caffeinated beverages from One Shot Coffee and cocktails will be served, too.

DANCE

Kun-Yang Lin/ Dancers

April 14-16
The Prince Theater
1412 Chestnut St.
267-239-2941
$22-$38, Princetheater.org
South Philly-based dance troupe Kun-Yang Lin/Dancers debut a whopping three world premieres in its weekend-long Spring Home Season concert.

HOME

Philadelphia Antiques and Art Show

April 15-17
Marine Parade Grounds at the Navy Yard
Broad Street at Intrepid Avenue
610-902-2109
$18-$20
Philadelphiaantiquesandartshow.com
Primitive knickknack lovers can take a detour from Antique Row this weekend for The Philadelphia Antiques and Art Show taking place at the Navy Yard. The expo promises primo pieces in Colonial through mid-century fine and decorative arts, and a host of walking tours and special events. Being dragged along? Wait out your stay with a cocktail at the show floor cafe and bar.

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MUSIC

Asaf Avidan

April 16, 8 p.m.
Boot & Saddle
1131 S. Broad St., 267-639-4528
$20, Bootandsaddlephilly.com
The intimate setting of Boot & Saddle is the ideal spot to catch Asaf Avidan. The Israeli crooner's unique sound has been compared to some of recording history's most distinctive voices (think Nina Simone, Janis Joplin and Jeff Buckley). He comes to Philly this week to promote his latest album, "Gold Shadow," which marries the sounds of jazz, cabaret, blues and pop.

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Some of America's best festivals are held off the beaten path.

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You may not know them, but some of the country's best festivals are held in small towns scattered throughout the U.S. Featuring a wide range of themes, these celebrations often include parades, entertainment, food and plenty of special events. Make an effort to time a vacation during one of these beloved fests. Music festivals, film festivals, flower festivals, food festivals and more make the list of America's 15 best small-town events.

Elkhart Jazz Festival

Elkhart, Indiana
Since launching in 1988, the Elkhart Jazz Festival has grown from 67 musicians and 3,000 attendees to more than 100 performers playing to a crowd of over 15,000. The annual festival takes place in June in northern Indiana's Elkhart, known as the Band Instrument Capital of the World and home to more than 2,000 people who build instruments, many of which are showcased in the festival, so you're sure to hear something totally new.

Lilac Festival

Mackinac Island, Michigan
This 10-day fest is held every June to draw visitors to Mackinac Island when the lilacs are in full bloom. Dating back to 1949, the lilac-themed celebration has grown throughout the years, but key traditions, such as crowning a Lilac Queen, have remained the same. During the festival, visitors can also enjoy concerts in the park, the lilac walk and talks, dancing, tours and the beautiful flowering trees — some more than 150 years old. Horse-drawn floats make up the festival's finale, the Grand Parade, which has been recognized by the Library of Congress as a "local legacy" event.

Telluride Film Festival

Telluride, Colorado
Dating back to 1979, the Telluride Film Festival has always maintained the element of surprise. Unlike most other film fests, at Telluride nobody knows which movies are showing, which celebrities are attending or who is being honored. This state of anticipation helps build excitement for the annual event, where "Brokeback Mountain," "Juno" and "Up in the Air" have all been shown. The festival includes premieres, Q&A sessions and plenty of special guests, ranging from Reese Witherspoon to Brad Pitt to Jon Stewart. More than 3,000 people attend the event, which is held during Labor Day weekend.

Telluride Film Festival GETTY IMAGES

National Shrimp Festival

Gulf Shores, Alabama
With more than 250 vendors, musical entertainment, an outdoor village and, of course, plenty of shrimp, it's no surprise that more than 250,000 people attend this free beach festival held in October every year. The national celebration started in 1971 as a way to draw visitors to Gulf Shores beaches after Labor Day and has established itself as an Alabama mainstay. And there's plenty of shrimp-themed fun to be had: Chefs compete to win the annual restaurant challenge with their best shrimp

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Scarecrow Fest

St. Charles, Illinois
For more than 25 years, St. Charles has hosted this beloved Scarecrow Fest. Each year, attendees choose from more than 150 entries to crown the winner of the Scarecrow Contest, which breaks down into six categories. Entering its 30th year this October, the weekend-long festival includes two stages of live entertainment, make-your-own scarecrow stations, a carnival and the Autumn on the Fox Arts & Craft Show. Admission, parking and trolleys are all free during the St. Charles festival, which is located just an hour west of Chicago along the Fox River.

Marlboro Music Festival

Marlboro, Vermont
This five-week concert series held throughout July and August features performances by established musicians as well as young professionals coming out of the Marlboro Music School. Performances take place on select Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons, and only one quarter of the more than 250 pieces played during the three-week rehearsal period leading up to the festival are presented to audiences. For more than 60 years, visitors from across the country have attended the festival to hear these talented performers make music.

Barbecue Festival ISTOCK

Barbecue Festival

Lexington, North Carolina
Held along nine blocks of Uptown Lexington's Main Street, this annual Barbecue Festival drew an estimated 200,000 people in 2014. Since its start in 1984, the festival has celebrated Lexington, the self-proclaimed Barbecue Capital of the World, and its famous slow-cooked and smoky pork shoulders dipped in a vinegar mixture. The fest is made up of more than 400 exhibitors (selling crafts and food) and a number of special activities — in the past, visitors have enjoyed a bicycle stunt show, rock climbing wall and an antique car show. The festival is typically held during one of the last two weekends of October.

American Folk Festival

Bangor, Maine
Held along the waterfront, the American Folk Festival draws more than 90,000 visitors each year. The three-day festival incorporates music and dance performances from a variety of different regions, cultures and heritages. Along with craft demonstrations, a children's area, food vendors and a marketplace with hand-made creations, the festival also has workshops, where artists who share a similar instrument or tradition take the stage together to perform and discuss their music.

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There continues to be debate over whether Ben Simmons is worthy of being the NBA's No. 1 overall pick. GETTY IMAGES

What's the Sixers' draft plan following Hinkie's departure?

Will the 76ers keep Sam Hinkie's plan for the 2016 NBA Draft, or does Bryan Coangelo have other plans?

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Back on Sunday afternoon, Bryan Colangelo, 76ers' new president of basketball operations made it clear that the team would, in the coming days and months, shed itself of departed GM Sam Hinkie. And no matter how much time he spent praising Hinkie, and "the process" it is easy to see a shift is on the horizon. Colangelo's first opportunity to debut his new philosophy will be at the NBA Draft on June 23, and here is a look at what Philadelphia may do with their picks in the first round:

1 Ben Simmons (PF, LSU)

Philadelphia's approach with this pick will likely mirror what Hinkie had planned to do. However, with Colangelo in charge, the Sixers may have less to debate. While Duke's Brandon Ingram has overtaken Simmons in many mock drafts, Colangelo could be hesitant to overthink this decision at the beginning of his tenure. Beyond that, Simmons, who averaged 19.2 points per game, as well as 11.9 rebounds, and 4.8 assists, fits into the mold of other Colangelo picks. Much like Demar Derozan, who Colangelo drafted 9th overall in 2009 with the Raptors, Simmons has elite athleticism and excels around the basket, but needs to work on his perimeter shot.

2 Furkan Korkmaz (SG, Anadolu Efes – International)

While Colangelo may choose to package the assets that Hinkie compiled in order to move up higher in the draft, as of now they are set to have two picks in between 20 and 30. And there is still value to be had in that range. One such player who may reach the Sixers is Furkan Korkmaz, an 18-year-old shooting guard from Turkey. Sixers fans may be hesitant to see the front office select another European player, but Korkmaz, who shot 42 percent in the Turkish league last year, is a natural scorer who would allow Philadelphia to space the floor. Additionally, Colangelo, who has previously drafted Andrea Bargnani first overall, and Jonas Valanciunas 5th overall, has shown an affinity for drafting from Europe.

3 Brice Johnson (PF, UNC)

If the Sixers choose to stay in between 26 and 28 with their third pick, Johnson would be a good depth addition for Philadelphia. A four-year player at UNC, Johnson averaged 17 points per game, as well as 10.5 rebounds, and was one of the most efficient players in college basketball last year. Johnson, who has been projected to be drafted anywhere from 11th to 33rd, could be a steal in this draft. Armed with an impressive blend of size and natural scoring ability, Johnson could grow into the role of someone like Taj Gibson, who was drafted 26th in 2009, and become a valuable bench player for Philadelphia.

5 Players to watch in Flyers-Capitals begin their series

There's no doubt ice hockey is a team game, and a great one at that.

But as the Flyers and Capitals prepare to do battle in a seven-game series, starting Thursday night in Washington (a 7 p.m. start on NBCS), there are a handful of undeniably important individuals whose contributions will determine who advances to the second round.

Here's a brief look at the top players to watch as the series gets underway.

Will the Flyers be able to slip enough pucks past Braden Holtby? GETTY IMAGES

1 Alexander Ovechkin (Capitals, 71 points)

Ovechkin led the NHL with 50 goals this season and his scoring ability will put Flyers' defensemen to the test. While the Flyers split the seasons series 2-2, Ovy scored just two goals in the four meetings, one in a victory and one in a setback. If the Flyers can hold the perennial All-Star to just two points in four games this series they'll be quite a happy squad.

2 Shayne Gostisbehere (Flyers, 46 points)

Whether or not Gostisbehere wins rookie of the year, the young defenseman is certainly more interested in putting up similar numbers in the playoffs to the ones he did in the regular season. Ghost broke several Flyers records for rookies and defensemen during the regular season playing in just 62 games. Will he rise to the occasion when the pressure is on, like he did leading Union College to a Frozen Four victory in college?

3 Braden Holtby (Capitals, .922 save percentage)

The Caps starting goalie compiled a ridiculous (and NHL record) 48 wins in 66 starts as compared to nine losses. And if you think it's mostly due to Washington's potent offense look at Holtby's numbers. His save percentage is a solid .922 with 2.20 goals against– both in the NHL's top 10.

4 Steve Mason (Flyers, .918 save percentage)

Mason's numbers are mostly average, but his work down the stretch was thoroughly impressive. He made 12 straight starts as the Flyers closed the gap, passed four teams and clinched a playoff spot in the 81st game of the season.

5 Evgeny Kuznetsov (Capitals, 77 points)

To have more points as a member of the Capitals than Ovechkin — especially when he leads the NHL with 50 goals — is an impressive feat. Enter the 23-year-old Kuznetsov, who will play at center opposite Flyers' Claude Giroux. The young gunslinger was fourth in the NHL with 57 assists and his slight of hand could be the series' difference-maker. EVAN MACY

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160259 Resolution authorizing the Committee on Disabled & Persons With Special Needs to hold hearings regarding ongoing efforts to meet the demand for services among children and adults with Autism by groups like the Philadelphia Autism Project.

Immediately following the public hearing, a meeting of the Committee on The Disabled and Persons with Special Needs, open to the public, will be held to consider the action to be taken on the above listed item.

Copies of the foregoing item are available in the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Council, Room 402, City Hall.

Michael Decker
Chief Clerk

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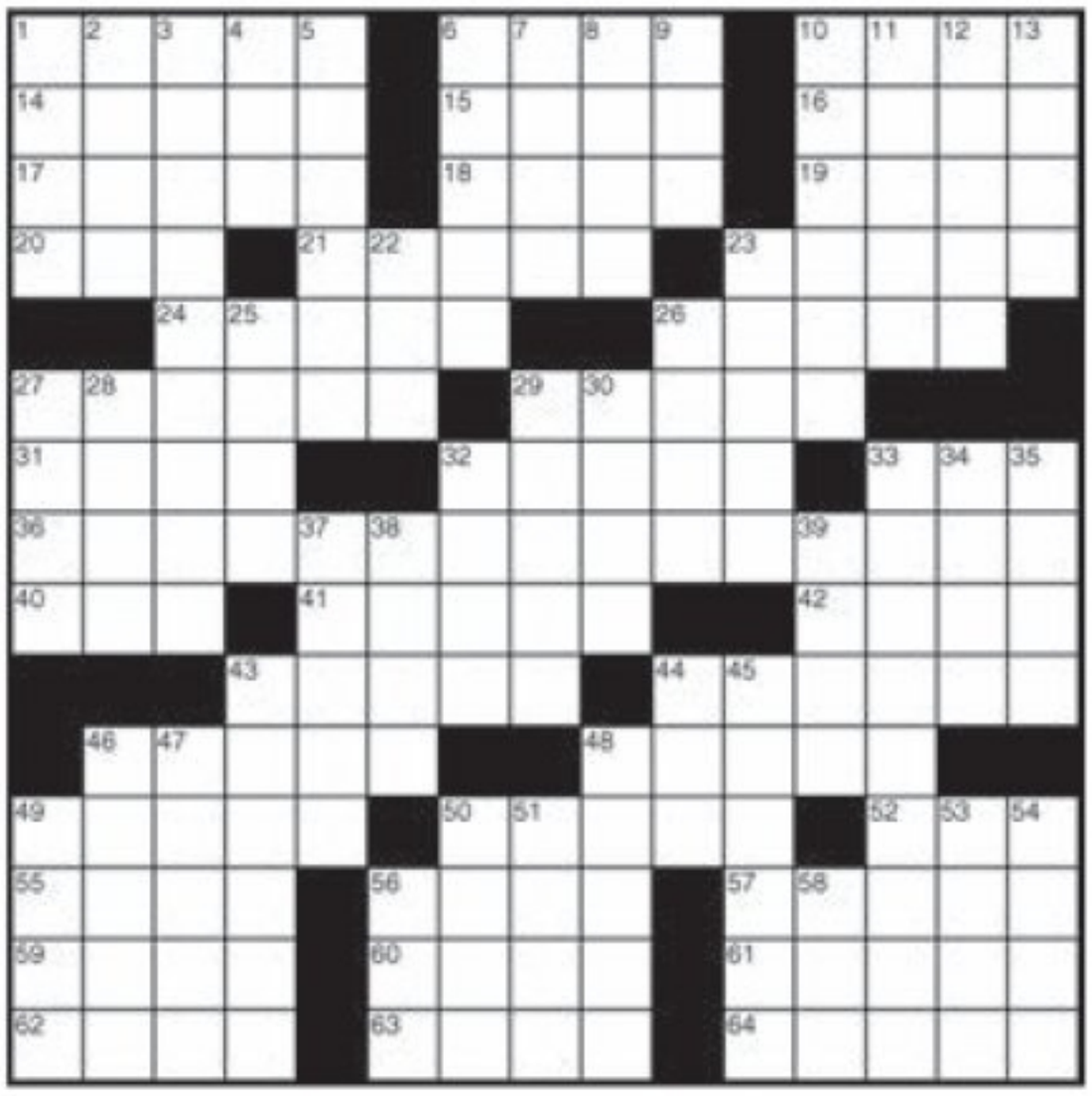

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Aries Explore your talents. Sign up for a course that will help you develop a strategy to turn an enjoyable hobby into a profitable enterprise. Share your life's ambition with a loved one.

Taurus Make changes at home that will ease stress and make your life simpler. You'll be inspired to use the extra time you have to do something that brings you happiness.

Gemini Reneging on a promise will leave you in a precarious position. Have something ready to offer in place of your original plan to avoid damaging your reputation.

Cancer Don't let your impulses call the shots. If something doesn't seem right, keep a close watch and quietly protect against any sort of personal loss. Be patient.

Leo Look for alternate routes if you see too much negativity, baggage or debris in your way. Make subtle changes that you know are doable and are easy to implement without detection.

Virgo Take in as much information as possible. Get involved in events and discussions that will lead to introductions to people who can help you achieve your dream.

Libra Don't let an emotional situation keep you from doing something you want to do. Someone will try to manipulate you if you show confusion or insecurity. Put an end to being controlled.

Scorpio Take an inside look at what you are dealing with and who is behind any opposition. Go directly to the source and apply your magnetic personality to get approval.

Sagittarius You need to put yourself first. Make changes that will bring convenience and order to your life. Let go of dead weight and focus on what you can accomplish.

Capricorn Make sure you have everything in order. It will be difficult to deal with medical, emotional and joint financial matters if you have neglected personal business.

Aquarius Plan a day of fun with a friend, children or a loved one. Keeping active will help you stay in shape and boost your confidence. Romance is encouraged.

Pisces Do your research before you make a change that will affect your looks or income. An expert will offer you options that better suit your needs. EUGENIA LAST

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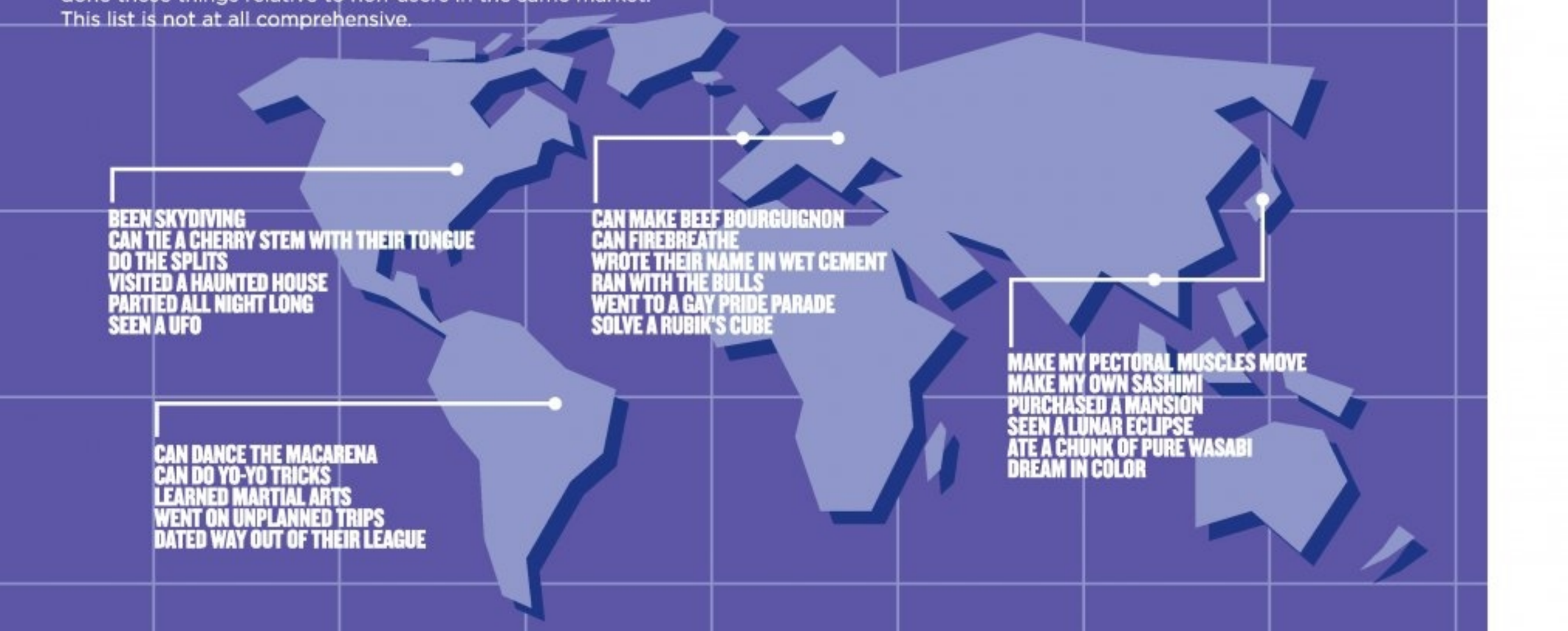
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CAN FIREBREATHE
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CAN DANCE THE MACARENA
CAN DO YO-YO TRICKS
LEARNED MARTIAL ARTS
WENT ON UNPLANNED TRIPS
DATED WAY OUT OF THEIR LEAGUE

40% OF LISTERINE® USERS

40% OF LISTERINE® USERS HAVE STOOD UP TO A BULLY. THAT'S 8% MORE THAN NON-USERS.

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They'd read this: the STUDY OF BOLD results presented in this newspaper are true to a 95% statistical confidence. Markets surveyed include US, UK, Germany, Thailand, Japan, and Brazil. The survey was fielded online, conducted from August–September, 2015, in the six major markets. It had a sample size of 6000, with 1000 in each of the markets, with 50% LISTERINE® users (past 12 months) and 50% lapsed or non-users. Each group also had equal parts men and women with a wide distribution of ages. The STUDY OF BOLD is on-going, and we expect more data in future studies. That's bold.

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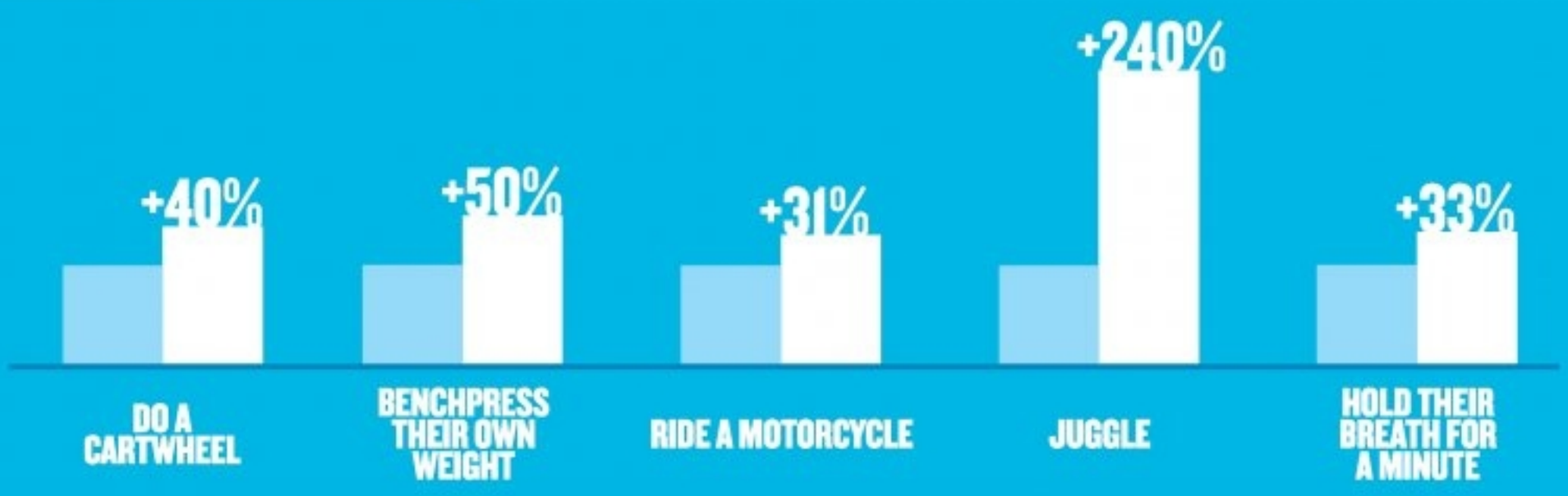
- LISTERINE® users
- Non-users



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